Welcome to the Faculty of Engineering - Students beginning January 2026

Thank you for choosing to pursue your engineering studies at Dalhousie University. To ensure you have a smooth start to your experience here, your advisors have prepared this guide for you.

While you are in the Core Engineering Program your advising team consists of: Year 1 & 2 Academic Advisor: **Jason S. LeCoure**, email: engineering@dal.ca
Student Engagement: **Karyn Hemsworth**, email: engineering@dal.ca

International Student Retention: Justin Deturbide, email: engineering@dal.ca

Placement in an Engineering Discipline

All students are initially admitted to the Core Engineering Program (you may sometimes hear this referred to as the Diploma program or Lower Division). While completing their first-year courses, students submit an application for a "placement" or conditional admission for a third-year program (e.g. Electrical, Chemical, Industrial Engineering) that they will be admitted to upon completion of their Diploma requirements. When to apply for Discipline Placement is noted under each registration option provided below. To be eligible to be placed, a student must have completed 24 credit hours of program courses and have an Engineering Grade Point Average (EGPA) >= 2.00. To be guaranteed their first choice, students must have an EGPA >= 3.50 and have completed all first year courses.

To be admitted to their Year 3 program students will need to complete all required Lower Division courses and have an EGPA >= 2.00 prior to the Fall term for which they have a placement. No student will be admitted to their Year 3 program with a course deficiency. No exceptions will be made to the course or GPA requirements for Year 3 Admission. Information regarding the Core Engineering Program can be found at https://go.engineering.dal.ca/diploma

Cooperative Education Option (Co-op)

To be eligible for the Co-op Option for their Bachelor of Engineering students must complete all Lower Division requirements with a minimum GPA of 2.00. Students must also complete the Co-op Orientation course 2 terms prior to the projected start of their first co-op work-term. For students who earn a placement in Chemical Engineering or Mechanical Engineering they will take ENGI 8890 in the Winter term prior to the start of their Year 3 program. For students with placements in other disciplines they will complete ENGI 8890 in the summer immediately prior to the start of their Year 3 program in the fall (Industrial Engineering) or in the first Fall study term of their Year 3 program (Electrical, Civil or Environmental Engineering).

Complete details on this process can be found on the Work-Integrated Learning & Co-operative Education website: https://www.dal.ca/faculty/wil.html

Course Selection and Program Requirements

To help you with scheduling your studies in the future the following two course plans are provided for your reference. For students who are arriving at Dalhousie without any transfer credits, starting in January will add a semester to your duration of study. It is not possible to "catch-up" to a student who started in the Fall 2025 semester.

Option 1: Faculty Recommended course plan for the core-program (1000- and 2000-level courses) for students starting Engineering in January 2026

What follows is our recommended courseload for students starting their program in the Winter 2026 term. This courseload allows students to follow the traditional Fall/Winter program while allowing students to build their academic skills during their first three study terms before engaging in a full 18 credit hour term in study terms 4 and 5.

Information on Registering for courses: Please see https://www.dal.ca/campus life/academic-support/register-for-courses/register.html

	Term 1: Winter 2026 ENGM 1041 MATH 1280 PHYC 1290 9 Credit Hours	
Term 2: Fall 2026 CHEM 1021 CPST 1103 ENGI 1103 ENGM 1081 PHYC 1190 13.5 Credit Hours	Term 3: Winter 2027 CHEM 1022 MATH 1290 ENGI 1203 CPST 1203 10.5 Credit Hours *Students Apply for Discipline for Fall 2028 prior to April 30	
Term 4: Fall 2027 IENG 2005 ENGM 2101 ENGM 2032 ECED 2000 ENGI 2102 Writing 1 18 Credit Hours	Term 5: Winter 2028 ENGI 2203 ENGM 2022 HIST 1971 Discipline Requirement 1 Discipline Requirement 2 Discipline Requirement 3 18 Credit Hours	

Option 2: Optional Course Plan w/ reduced course load

Students who wish to pursue a reduced courseload of the duration of their Lower Division studies may follow the option below.

	Term 1: Winter 2026 MATH 1280 ENGM 1041 PHYC 1290 9 Credit Hours	Term 2: Summer 2026 CHEM 1021 CHEM 1022 MATH 1290 9 Credit Hours
Term 3: Fall 2026 ENGI 1103 CPST 1103 PHYC 1190 ENGM 1081 10.5 Credit Hours	Term 4: Winter 2027 ENGI 1203 CPST 1203 HIST 1971 Writing 1 Requirement 13.5 Credit Hours *Students Apply for Discipline for Fall 2028 prior to April 30	
Term 5: Fall 2027 IENG 2005 ENGM 2101 ENGM 2032 ECED 2000 ENGI 2102 15 Credit Hours	Term 6: Winter 2028 ENGI 2203 Discipline Requirement 1 Discipline Requirement 2 Discipline Requirement 3 12 Credit Hours	

Notes:

- Students who have received Transfer credit for MATH 1000 & MATH 1010 have satisfied the requirements for MATH 1280 Engineering Math 1. Such students can register for MATH 1290 in the Winter 2026 term in lieu of MATH 1280.
- 2. Other common transfer credits include CHEM 1011 & CHEM 1012 (equivalent to CHEM 1021 & CHEM 1022 respectively) or PHYC 1190 (aka 1280) & PHYC 1290.
- 3. Students who have received transfer credits should consult with Jason LeCoure (engineering@dal.ca) if they have questions regarding course selection as your registration options may differ from those provided in Options 1 & 2 above.

Important Resources and Contacts:

Faculty of Engineering

First Year Engineering Advising

Bissett Centre, 4TH Floor SUB

Second Year Engineering Advising

Jason LeCoure, USO

advising@dal.ca

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Undergraduate Studies Office: 5217 Morris Street, O'Brien Hall 302

Appointments: engineering@dal.ca

Dr. Darrel Doman, P.Eng, Associate Dean of Engineering, Undergraduate Studies Darrell.doman@dal.ca

Karyn Hemsworth, MPA, Engineering Student Engagement Coordinator Karyn.Hemsworth@dal.ca

International Student Experience: Justin Deturibe, email: engineering@dal.ca

Dean's Office: O'Brien Hall, 4th Floor

Appointments: 902-494-3267

Dr. John Newhook, P.Eng., Dean of Engineering john.newhook@dal.ca

Websites:

Engineering: http://engineering.dal.ca

Undergraduate Studies: https://www.dal.ca/faculty/engineering/u-s-o.html

Not sure who to contact? Email: engineering@dal.ca

Dalhousie Supports & Services:

Academic and study skills supports via www.dal.ca/ontrack and www.dal.ca/sfs.

Students **seeking academic accommodations for disabilities** must make an application through the Student Accessibility Centre at https://www.dal.ca/campus_life/academic-support/accessibility.html well in advance of their need for accommodations.

Financial: Student Financial Services: Student.Accounts@dal.ca 902-494-2302 http://www.dal.ca/dept/financialhttp://www.dal.ca/dept/financial-services.html

Health, Mental Health & Wellness: On Campus Health Clinic: 902-494-2171 https://www.dal.ca/campus_life/health-and-wellness.html

Human Rights and Equity Services: hres@dal.ca 902-494-6672 https://www.dal.ca/dept/hres.html

Careers: https://www.dal.ca/campus life/career-and-leadership.html 902-494-3537

International Centre: https://www.dal.ca/campus_life/international-centre.html 902-494-1566 international.centre@dal.ca

Other Student Services: https://www.dal.ca/campus_life.html